

DON'T GET TAGGED BY A MOSQUITO

Mosquitoes can carry viruses that cause encephalitis. Though the risk of encephalitis is low, if contracted by humans, its effects range from flu-like symptoms to paralysis and in extreme cases...death.



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PROTECT YOURSELF. Wear insect repellent and apply

according to the manufacturer's instructions. • Wear light-colored long pants and long sleeve shirts to cover exposed skin.

FIGHT MOSQUITOES. Repair holes in door and window

screens. • Add sand to plant pot drip trays to absorb excess water. • Get rid of old tires, buckets, drums, bottles or

any water-holding containers. • Fill in or drain any low places (puddles, ruts) in the yard. • Keep drains, ditches and culverts

clean of weeds and trash so water will drain properly. • Cover trash cans to keep out rainwater. • Empty plastic wading pools

every four to five days and store indoors when not in use. • Tree rot holes and hollow stumps can hold water, make sure they are

filled with sand or concrete. • Change water in birdbaths and plant pots or drip trays every four to five days. • Keep your grass

cut short and shrubbery well trimmed around the house so adult mosquitoes will not hide there. • For places like stagnant ponds,

rain barrels and low-lying wet areas, use environmentally friendly larvicides, which kill mosquito larvae without danger to people,

pets or wildlife.